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SUBJ: TORRIJOS AND THE SNYDER AMENDMENT

1. RELIABLE SOURCE TOLD EMBOFF TODAY OF CONVERSATION HE HAD WITH TORRIJOS LAST NIGHT CONCERNING SITUATION CREATED BY SNYDER AMENDMENT. TORRIJOS REPORTEDLY SAID PANAMA MUST REACT WITH "CAUTION AND PRUDENCE" TO THE PROVOCATION. HE CONSIDERED THE CONGRESS TO BE THE VOICE OF THE NORTH AMERICAN PEOPLE AND HENCE OF THE NATION. HE THEN ASKED HOW COULD SUCH A GREAT NATION, AN INTELLIGENT PEOPLE, PERSISTENTLY DO THINGS TO MAKE AN ENEMY OF A FRIEND--PANAMA. HE HAD FAITH IN THE MEN HE WAS DEALING WITH AND IN PRESIDENT FORD. THEY WOULD BE ABLE TO CLARIFY THE PICTURE FOR THE AMERICAN PEOPLE AND OVERCOME THE TREATY OPPONENTS.

2. SOURCE THEN COMMENTED THAT TORRIJOS AND OTHER GOP OFFICIALS WERE DETERMINED TO KEEP THINGS CALM ON JULY 4.
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